# City of Gaithersburg Press Release

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## Join the Gaithersburg Chorus
### *Fall In-Person Session Begins August 24 with Free Open House*

***Gaithersburg, MD – (July 14, 2021)*** The Gaithersburg Chorus is seeking new members to sing soprano, alto, tenor or bass/baritone in the non-audition ensemble class, open to those 16 years and older. No previous experience is required. Return to in-person rehearsals begins Tuesday, August 24 with a free Open House. New members can experience what it's like to sing with an ensemble, while seasoned members will have a chance to experience what a "return to normal" looks like.

The Gaithersburg Chorus is a class, with sessions in the fall and spring. Music Director Daniel Hopkins and Accompanist Refiye Tappan provide weekly instruction on music theory, musicality and the mechanics of singing, including vocalization, voice control, proper breathing technique, and voice projection. Previous experience is not required. The Chorus performs a variety of music, from classical to pop to Broadway and everything in between.

Weekly rehearsals are held on Tuesday evenings, beginning August 24, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Rehearsals will culminate in performances on December 7 and 10. Students looking for volunteer opportunities can earn SSL hours for participating in the Chorus. They must attend each weekly rehearsal.

Registration opens August 2 for City of Gaithersburg residents; open registration begins August 4. The registration fee is $100 for City of Gaithersburg residents, $120 for nonresidents. Scholarships are available. Learn more and register online here.

Contact Program Coordinator Marc Wright at Marc.Wright@gaithersburgmd.gov for more information or visit www.gaithersburgmd.gov.

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